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IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF VIETNAM
FOR CATTLE EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The animals must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate must contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of the animals to be exported. Additional information must include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

1. The United States has been free of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), ephemeral fever, and East Coast fever for the last 3 years. There is no vaccination program against these diseases in the United States.
2. The animals originated from a State that has been free of vesicular stomatitis for the last 3 years.
3. The animals are free from clinical signs of any infectious or contagious diseases.
4. The animals originated from areas not quarantined for any infectious or contagious diseases.
5. The herd of origin of the exported animals, and the area within a 12 kilometer radius, has been clinically free of Johne's disease for the last 3 years.
6. The animals originated from herds free of brucellosis and tuberculosis for the last 12 months.
7. The animals originated from farms clinically free of leptospirosis and infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR) for the last 12 months.
8. The animals originated from herds free of clinical evidence of malignant catarrhal fever, enzootic bovine leukosis, bluetongue, and Q fever for the last 3 years.
9. The United States is free of pathogenic theileriasis. Theileria parva and T. annulata do not exist in the United States.
10. The animals were treated with ivermectin for external and internal parasites within 30 days of export.
11. In the case of bulls, there have been no known cases of trichomoniasis or campylobacteriosis in the herd of origin for the past 12 months.

12. The animals originated from a farm in which anthrax has not occurred within 12 months prior to export.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

The animals were negative to the following tests conducted within 45 days prior to export, except the test for tuberculosis which can be conducted within 60 days prior to export:

1. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD tuberculin;
2. Brucellosis: Complement-fixation (CF) test at the 1:10 dilution OR standard tube agglutination test at 1:50 dilution. (The test is not required for official calfhood vaccinated animals under 12 months of age.)
3. Leptospirosis: Microtiter agglutination test at the 1:100 dilution for *L. pomona*, *L. hardjo*, *L. grippotyphosa*, *L. icterohaemorrhagiae*, and *L. canicola*; OR the animals have been vaccinated for leptospirosis within 30 days of export; OR the animals have been treated twice with dihydrostreptomycin at the rate of 25 mg/kg body weight at 14-day intervals within 30 days of export;
4. Johne's Disease: CF test at 1:8 dilution.
5. Enzootic bovine leukosis: Agar gel immunodiffusion or ELISA test.
6. Trichomoniasis: Culture of preputial washings (Test is only required for bulls over 12 months of age.)
7. Campylobacteriosis: Culture of preputial washings (Test is only required for bulls over 12 months of age.)

OTHER INFORMATION

1. After leaving the country of origin, the ship or aircraft transporting the animals may only call at intermediate ports approved by Vietnam.
2. No ruminants or swine will be taken aboard the ship or aircraft after it has left the country of origin.
3. No fodder or animal feed may be taken aboard the ship or aircraft at any intermediate port after it has left the country of origin.

4. The import permit must be presented to the VS veterinarian before endorsement of a U.S. Origin Health Certificate for cattle to Vietnam.
5. If an outbreak of any contagious disease occurs during the voyage, the animals will be sent back to the country of origin or destroyed.

EMBARKATION CERTIFICATION

At the point of embarkation, a VS port veterinarian must attach the Certificate of Inspection of Export Animals (VS Form 17-37) to the U.S. Origin Health Certificate. The 17-37 must show:

1. The name and address of the consignor;
2. The name and address of the consignee;
3. The number and species of animals to be shipped;
4. A statement that the animals have been given a careful veterinary inspection at the port of embarkation and found free from evidence of communicable disease and exposure thereto within 24 hours of exportation.